Amendments

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In the Specification

Please substitute the Abstract for the one attached herewith.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1-36 without prejudice or disclaimer and add the following new claims:

37. (New) A compound of the formula I

A A

in which

W is R^{1} -A-C(R^{13});

Y is a carbonyl, thiocarbonyl or methylene group;

Z is $N(R^0)$, oxygen, sulfur or a methylene group;

A is a bivalent radical selected from the group consisting of(C₁-C₆)-alkylene, (C₃-C₁₂)-cycloalkylene, (C₁-C₆)-alkylene-(C₁-C₆)-alkylene, phenylene-(C₁-C₆)-alkyl, (C₁-C₆)-alkylenephenyl, (C₁-C₆)-alkylenephenyl-(C₁-C₆)-alkyl, phenylene-(C₂-C₆)-alkenyl or a bivalent radical of a 5- or 6-membered saturated or unsaturated ring which can contain 1 or 2 nitrogen atoms and can be mono- or disubstituted by (C₁-C₆)-alkyl or doubly bonded oxygen or sulfur, or is a direct bond;

B is a bivalent radical selected from the group consisting of (C₁-C₆)-alkylene, (C₂-C₆)-alkenylene, phenylene, phenylene-(C₁-C₃)-alkyl, and (C₁-C₃)-alkylenephenyl, where the bivalent (C₁-C₆)-alkylene radical can be unsubstituted or substituted by a radical from the group consisting of (C₁-C₈)-alkyl, (C₂-C₈)-alkenyl, (C₂-C₈)-alkynyl, (C₃-C₁₀)-cycloalkyl, (C₃-C₁₀)-cycloalkyl-(C₁-C₆)-alkyl, optionally substituted (C₆-C₁₄)-aryl, (C₆-C₁₄)-aryl, (C₆-C₁₆)-alkyl, (C₁-C₁₆)-alkyl, optionally substituted (C₁-C₁₆)-aryl, (C₁